Symptoms: Can a child attend daycare?

If a child is showing symptoms of illness, the parent or guardian must immediately contact the daycare provider (please note: this includes childminders) to let them know the child will be absent. The next steps to be taken will be jointly agreed on, and the daycare provider will inform the parent or guardian about the rules as to when a child can return to daycare. The parent/guardian and the daycare provider have a joint responsibility to help protect all children and staff and their families from infection. It is recommended that, even where a child has only a mild head cold, occasional cough, scratchy throat or frequent throat-clearing, they have a PCR test or at least a (quick) lateral flow test in cases where these symptoms cannot be explained by a pre-existing condition.

**The child shows the following symptoms ...**

- only a mild head cold, occasional cough, scratchy throat or frequent throat-clearing
- symptoms of a known chronic condition
- Signs of incipient illness, e.g. sore throat, headache and aching limbs (even if a self-test is negative)

**Where**

- the child is known to have had contact with a confirmed case of coronavirus
- a quick coronavirus test or self-test is positive

**Child MAY NOT attend daycare.**

You are recommended to obtain a medical diagnosis.
(you must call the practice beforehand)

The doctor will decide whether a PCR test will be taken.

- NO
- YES

PCR lab test: wait at home until you have the result!

- NEGATIVE
  - but symptoms caused by other illness/condition
  - Symptom free for at least 48 hours? A negative test result or a medical certificate are not required.
  - ISOLATION
    - Follow instructions given by local health authority (Gesundheitsamt)!

- NEGATIVE
- POSITIVE

Await recovery

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